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TAGS: EGEN, OECD

SUBJECT: CHAIRMAN OF OECD EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IN  
REGULAR SESSION

1. RECENT DEATH OF AMB. OCKRENT OF BELGIUM HAS LEFT VACANT CHAIRMANSHIP OF OECD EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IN REGULAR SESSION. OCKRENT HAD HELD POSITION SINCE INCEPTION OF OECD. CURRENT VICE-CHAIRMAN ARE FRENCH PERM REP, AMB. VALERY, AND JAPANESE PERM REP, AMB. YOSHINO. ON BASIS OF INFORMAL SOUNDINGS, SECGEN VAN LENNEP HAS PROPOSED THAT AMB. VALERY BE ELECTED CHAIRMAN AND CANADIAN PERM REP AMB. TOWE AND JAPANESE PERM REP AMB. YOSHINO BE VICE-CHAIRMEN FOR REMAINDER 1974.

2. MISSION BELIEVES THAT VALERY, OWING TO HIS LONG EXPERIENCE, KNOWLEDGE OF AND DEDICATION TO OECD AND PARTICULARLY BECAUSE OF EVEN-HANDED AND EFFICIENT WAY IN WHICH HE HAS CHAIRED EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON INTERIM BASIS, IS BEST SUITED PERM REP TO REPLACE OCKRENT AT THIS JUNCTURE. ELECTION OF VALERY WOULD HAVE NO EFFECT ON CHAIRMANSHIP OF XCSS, WHICH CONTINUES TO BE  
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HELD BY SWISS AMB. JOLLES.

3. CHAIRMANSHIP OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WILL, OF COURSE,  
BE OPEN AGAIN AT OUTSET OF 1975 AT WHICH TIME MATTER  
CAN BE REVIEWED AGAIN. VALERY HAS TOLD US HE WOULD ONLY  
BE ABLE OR WISH TO HOLD CHAIR FOR TEMPORARY PERIOD.  
CANDIDATE FOR 1975 MAY BE TOWE, WHICH WOULD PROVIDE A  
NON-EC CHAIRMAN -- A RESULT WHICH MISSION FEELS  
DESIRABLE IF VAN LENNEP RE-ELECTED SEC-GEN.

4. MISSION PLANS TO SUPPORT SECGEN'S PROPOSALS UNLESS  
INSTRUCTED OTHERWISE BY MAY 14.  
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